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For: XANTHAN GUM AND HPMC FOR THE
TREATMENT OF IBD

AMENDMENT

Commission of Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313

October 15, 2003

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 21, 2003, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

Claims 4-5, 7-14, 16-21, 28-32, 34-36, 40-41, and 44 are cancelled.

Claims 13, 14, 37, 46, 47, 49, 51 and 52 are amended.

New claims 53-55 are added.



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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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